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Press Release

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Beginning Monday January 7, 2013, the contractor will be closing the entrance to the Highland Village neighborhood, eliminating access from Porter Avenue to the neighborhood from Highland Village Drive. All residents and visitors will need to detour to Tecumseh Meadows Drive onto Tecumseh Meadows Way following it around to Skye Ridge Drive to get back to Highland Village Drive. The contractor will be reconstructing the entry pavement and adding two larger drainage structures on both sides of Highland Village Drive. Weather permitting, the construction will be completed in approximately three weeks.

The Porter Avenue Paving Project from Woodcrest Drive to north of Tecumseh Road is a \$2 million street improvement project designed to reduce traffic congestion and improve traffic safety. When this project is complete, the roadway will be widened to four lanes from Woodcrest Drive to north of Tecumseh Road with sidewalks on both sides of the street. The Oklahoma Department of Transportation is administering the construction of the project on behalf of the City of Norman. The prime contractor is Markwell Paving Company of Oklahoma City.

Additional questions may be directed to Mr. Josh Malwick, City of Norman Capital Projects Engineer, at (405)366-5454.